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PATENT APPLICATION

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2178IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hidenori Sekine
Serial No.: 09/728,821
Conf. No.: 5095
Filed: November 29, 2000
For: INFORMATION RETRIEVAL SYSTEM
AND A COMPUTER PRODUCT
Art Unit: 2178
Examiner: Vaughn, Gregory J.

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended		Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	8	-	20	=	0	x	\$ 50.00	= \$ 0
Independent Claims	2	-	3	=	0	x	\$200.00	= \$ 0
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims							\$360.00	= \$ 0
							Total Additional Fee	\$ 0
							Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)	\$

(X) Amendment B.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT B

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed January 13, 2005, please amend
the application as follows: